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INVENTION  PROCESS FOR ETCHING A CONTROLLABLE THICKNESS OF OXIDE ON AN INTEGRATED CIRCUIT STRUCTURE ON A SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE USING NITROGEN PLASMA AND AN RF BIAS APPLIED TO THE SUBSTRATE			

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

**Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.**

**A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.**

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